

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-00276-ABJ**

COMPETITIVE ENTERPRISE INSTITUTE v. UNITED
STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Assigned to: Judge Amy Berman Jackson
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 02/07/2018
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Plaintiff

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| Date Filed | # | Docket Text |
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| 02/07/2018 | <u>1</u> | COMPLAINT against UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5322108) filed by COMPETITIVE ENTERPRISE INSTITUTE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons for the Attorney General, # <u>3</u> Summons for the US Attorney, # <u>4</u> Summons for the agency, the State Department)(Watkins, Charles) (Entered: 02/07/2018) |
| 02/07/2018 | | Case Assigned to Judge Amy Berman Jackson. (zmd) (Entered: 02/09/2018) |
| 02/09/2018 | <u>2</u> | SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent) (zmd) (Entered: 02/09/2018) |

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| 02/22/2018 | <u>3</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by April Denise Seabrook on behalf of All Defendants (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 02/22/2018) |
| 03/01/2018 | <u>4</u> | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 2/20/2018., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 2/20/2018. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 3/22/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE served on 2/20/2018 (Watkins, Charles) (Entered: 03/01/2018) |
| 03/22/2018 | <u>5</u> | Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 03/22/2018) |
| 03/23/2018 | | MINUTE ORDER granting <u>5</u> Motion for Extension of Time. Defendant must file an answer to plaintiff's complaint or other response by March 29, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 03/23/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 03/23/2018) |
| 03/29/2018 | <u>6</u> | ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Seabrook, April) Modified to add link on 3/30/2018 (znmw). (Entered: 03/29/2018) |
| 03/30/2018 | | MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. The requirements of Local Civil Rule 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure appear to be inapplicable. Defendant shall file a dispositive motion or, in the alternative, a report setting forth the schedule for the completion of its production of documents to plaintiff, on or before April 27, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 03/30/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 03/30/2018) |
| 04/27/2018 | <u>7</u> | STATUS REPORT <i>and Proposed Schedule</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Seabrook, April) (Entered: 04/27/2018) |
| 04/30/2018 | | MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must submit another status report by June 11, 2018 which provides more information concerning the number of responsive records. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 04/30/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 04/30/2018) |
| 06/11/2018 | <u>8</u> | STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 06/11/2018) |
| 06/12/2018 | | MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit a joint status report by September 14, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 06/12/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 06/12/2018) |
| 09/14/2018 | <u>9</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 09/14/2018) |
| 09/18/2018 | | MINUTE ORDER. The parties must file another joint status report by January 15, 2019, with a proposed schedule for either further production or other proceedings, as needed. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 09/18/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 09/18/2018) |
| 12/14/2018 | <u>10</u> | NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Paul Cirino on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE Substituting for attorney April Denise Seabrook (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 12/14/2018) |
| 01/15/2019 | <u>11</u> | Unopposed MOTION to Stay , Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>All Deadlines</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Pfaffenroth, Peter) (Entered: 01/15/2019) |
| 01/16/2019 | | MINUTE ORDER granting <u>11</u> Unopposed Motion to Stay. The government must file a notice within two days of the resumption of operations and it should include a proposed revised schedule. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 01/16/2019. (lcabj3) (Entered: 01/16/2019) |
| 01/29/2019 | <u>12</u> | NOTICE of <i>Restored Government Funding and Proposed Schedule</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 01/29/2019) |

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| 01/29/2019 | | MINUTE ORDER. In light of the government's notice <u>12</u> , the stay in this case is lifted and the parties must submit a joint status report by March 15, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 01/29/2019. (lcabj3) (Entered: 01/29/2019) |
| 03/15/2019 | <u>13</u> | NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by April Denise Seabrook on behalf of All Defendants Substituting for attorney Paul Cirino (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 03/15/2019) |
| 03/15/2019 | <u>14</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT <i>and Proposed Schedule</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 03/15/2019) |
| 03/19/2019 | | MINUTE ORDER. The parties must file a joint status report by April 15, 2019 with a proposed schedule for further proceedings, if needed. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 03/19/2019. (lcabj3) (Entered: 03/19/2019) |
| 04/15/2019 | <u>15</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 04/15/2019) |